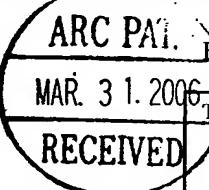


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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

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International application No. PCT/JP2004/007588	International filing date (day/month/year) 26 May 2004 (26.05.2004)	Priority date (day/month/year) 29 May 2003 (29.05.2003)	
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237			
Applicant DAISHINKU CORPORATION			

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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International application No. PCT/JP2004/007588		FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below	
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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC			
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<p>1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Box No. I Basis of the opinion <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. II Priority <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VI Certain documents cited <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application <p>2. FURTHER ACTION</p> <p>If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.</p> <p>If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.</p> <p>For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.</p> <p>3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.</p>

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Translation

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International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	2-7	YES
	Claims	1	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	2-7	YES
	Claims	1	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-8	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Document 1: JP 2000-314808 A (Kinseki Kabushiki Kaisha)

14 November 2000, claim 1, paragraphs 0007, 0008, all drawings

Document 2: JP 2003-29027 A (Tokai Kogaku Kabushiki Kaisha)

29 January 2003, claim 1, paragraphs 0003, 0004, 0008, all drawings

Claim 1

The invention described in claim 1 does not appear to possess novelty on account of document 1 cited in the ISR. Means in document 1 for gradually reducing the transmittance rate of a wavelength region sandwiched between a transmission band region at wavelength 400 nm and higher and 550 nm or lower and a nontransmission band region at wavelength 750 nm and higher and 1050 nm or lower and reducing it from the transmission band side toward the nontransmission band side corresponds to the steepness preventing means described in claim 1.

Claims 2-7

The inventions described in claims 2-7 are not disclosed in any of the documents cited in the ISR and appear to possess novelty. In particular, steepness preventing means that constitutes a filter from a plurality of layers, varies the optical film thickness of the first thin film (high refraction index film) and second thin film (low refraction index film) in each layer at each layer, makes the optical film thickness of the laminated first thin film (high refraction index film) and second thin film (low refraction index film) generally identical in at least one of these layers, and in the other layers sets the optical film thickness of the laminated first thin film and second thin film so that they gradually increase from the transparent base side is not disclosed in any of the documents.